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PALSYING TAXES.

Through the admission of the secretary of the treasury the administration confesses that a new system of taxation must be devised even to the abandonment of some pet theories which have been exploited for the past two years to the destruction of business. The iniquitous excess profits tax is one which Secretary Glass says must go and go at once if the country is to see any recovery of prosperity. The secretary does not see how there can be any reduction of taxes as he estimates there is no way of getting along with less than five billions of dollars to meet the expenditures of the coming year without having recourse to another loan which he deprecates. The secretary urges the nation to begin at once providing a sinking fund for the enormous accumulation of debts which have been loaded on the government under the guise of war taxes. The sentiments expressed are those of a keen-eyed reformer who sees there is only one way of bringing the people back to a safe and sane financial policy which he says can be done by retrenching in every possible quarter. One of his recommendations is that no new undertakings absorb a dollar from the general appropriations.

Excessive government expenditures, he states, were the most important factors in increasing the cost of living and argues that it is urgently necessary to keep down public expenses for this reason as well as because of the drain on taxpayers. The excess profits tax, is described as "objectionable" even as a wartime expedient "which it would be still more objectionable in peace time." Less harmful forms of deriving funds for the government should be employed, the secretary said, adding that the excess profits tax had been responsible for much of the increase in living costs because it had been passed to the consumer.

The treasury will continue its policy, in effect since the armistice, to use the secretary's language, to restore private initiative and remove governmental control and interference.

As there is no doubt about congress following the suggestion which is founded on the recommendations of republican leaders, the country may look for an immediate revival in the silver mining industry and an improvement in production. This excess profits tax has been one of the greatest handicaps the silver mining companies have had to contend with, as it offered a premium on inertia and engendered sluggishness in development. With the government taking over a major percentage of earnings there was no incentive for production and therefore most companies were satisfied to run on short time or with limited forces with the object of earning their dividends and going no further. The recommendation of Mr. Glass is directly in line with the best thought of the mining world which was opposed to confiscation of their properties wholly out proportion to the tribute exacted from other industries. At no time has the government differentiated between the manufacturer and the miner and no allowance was made for the exhaustion that follows extensive operations. In the eyes of the democratic lawmakers the mines were on the same footing as the factory which was a vicious policy, especially at a time when the world was clamoring for an increase in its supply of gold and silver.

PROHIBITION COMES HIGH.

Now that the nation is generally supposed to be on a dry foundation it is interesting to note the cost of enforcing the new law. The treasury department asks for an appropriation of \$73,000,000, a sum much larger than in former years, which indicates the increased expense of enforcing the law with respect to detecting and prosecuting evasions. On top of this has to be considered the loss of revenue derived by every state and municipality from liquor licenses, the increased cost of supervision, the maintenance of police forces through a direct tax on the public, loss of employment by which tens of thousands of the highest paid workers have been deprived of their legitimate means of livelihood. This means a continued drain on the earnings of taxpayers as there is no other way by which these expenses may be met.

BACKBONE OF THE NATION.

It is gratifying to observe the celerity with which the former service men of Nye county have rallied to the support of the flag by issuing a warning to the I. W. W. that members contemplating coming to this region had better keep at a respectful distance if they have any consideration for their own hides. Under the decision of Judge Averill the I. W. W. is an illegal organization in Nevada and the members are subject to arrest and imprisonment wherever they are found. The decree of the court covers such a wide range that there is not the shadow of ground for the reds to gain a foothold in this state. The moment anyone flashes one of the red cards he becomes subject to arrest as a confessed law-breaker and criminal. The resolution of the American Legion goes a step further by providing the machinery for a strict enforcement of the order of the court and it does not require any clairvoyance to realize what will happen to those who choose to disregard the warning.

THE LATEST NOTE TO MEXICO.

The note from the department of state to Mexico, the text of which was made public at Washington, is worded as it should be and leaves nothing unsaid. "Unsaid" is the word, but there has been no fault to find with anything the department of state has had to "say" in any of its correspondence with the Carranza government. They have been models of what the American people think such notes should be.

The letter of Secretary Lansing is particularly clever as a matter of argument because the Mexican government in its own note to Washington used a line of reasoning that was based exactly upon that adopted by the United States in its diplomatic correspondence with Italy at the time of the Mafia hangings in New Orleans. The Mexican note pointed out the limitations of the federal government in dealing with a Mexican state and with the judiciary, just as the American notes to Italy laid stress on the failure of the federal jurisdiction to reach state legal machinery. We paid

Mexico will have to pay, too.

But it would undoubtedly be more pleasing to the American people if Washington, instead of dealing in fine words, would translate into action some of the vigorous ideas that the words represent. If the burning letters sent to Carranza could only be backed up by an army on the frontier—an army equipped for business—and by a fleet off Vera Cruz prepared to land such a force of marines as we sent into victorious battle at Chateau Thierry, it is likely that Mexico would release Consul Agent Jenkins and send an abject apology for his arrest before a day had passed by. The United States at present talks too much and is too slow to act.

TAME ANIMALS OF THE PARKS

(By Associated Press) DENVER, Colo., Dec. 2.—Deer which invade kitchens of houses in search of food, and beggar bears which waylay automobile tourists and pedestrians along the roads are examples of the extent to which the protection furnished by the government to the wild game within the boundaries of the various national parks has tamed the animals, according to Horace M. Albright, superintendent of Yellowstone national park and assistant to Stephen M. Mather, director of national parks, who came to Denver recently to attend the meeting of park officials.

It is no unusual sight, declared Albright, to see deer entering and leaving a house in Yellowstone. Small children feed them from their hands, and beggar bears, he declares, have come to be one of the biggest attractions of the park.

The tameness of the animals has its drawbacks as well, because it makes them easy for pot hunters if they happen to stray beyond the park boundaries.

COMSTOCKER GUILTY OF HIGHGRADING

William Dewar of Virginia City, Nev., was found guilty of "highgrading" gold bullion by a jury before Judge Franklin A. Griffin in San Francisco. Dewar was charged with obtaining the gold by "highgrading" while an employee of the Chollar mine on the Comstock lode in Nevada. He was arrested in San Francisco two months ago while attempting to sell four sacks of gold bullion valued at \$4,500.

During the trial Dewar claimed he got the bullion from Henry Tobner, a Nevada mine owner, twelve years ago, but at the last minute attorneys for the mine produced Tobner in refutation.

The earliest glass known to the Romans was in the form of blue beads.

TURKISH WOMAN LEADS REFORMS

(Correspondence Associated Press) CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 7.—There are only two sincere political movements in Turkey, one for American help, the other for an independent country which should be left alone, says Halide Edib, Turkish woman novelist, poet and nationalist. "All the rest are movements fed by foreign money," she told the Associated Press correspondent.

Small, handsome, a brilliant conversationalist and speaker, Halide Edib, a fiery advocate for a new and better Turkey, is the best known woman of her country. A graduate of Robert college for girls, an American institution, she speaks English well and has used it since the armistice to try to convert Americans here to her hopes. In the war she worked with her husband, a physician, in the Red Crescent or Turkish Red Cross. One of her novels, "New Turania," a Turkish "Looking Forward," has greatly moved her people by its patriotic appeal.

The richest 110 square miles of territory in the world so far as known to mining engineers, is in the Black Hills. This district produces working quantities of nearly every mineral product, from gold to cement.

SUMMONS

In the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Nye, Clementina Chopp, Plaintiff, vs. Steve Chopp, Defendant.
 The State of Nevada sends greeting to said defendant, Steve Chopp. You are hereby summoned to appear within ten days after the service upon you of this summons if served in said county, or within twenty days if served out of said county but within said Judicial District, and in all other cases within forty days of the day of the service, and defend the above entitled action. This action is brought to dissolve the bonds of matrimony existing between you and the plaintiff upon the grounds of extreme cruelty and for equitable relief as more particularly described in the complaint filed in said action.
 Dated Oct. 11, 1919.
 L. E. GLASS, Clerk.
 M. J. SCANLAN, Plaintiff's Attorney.
 Date of first publication Nov. 14, 1919.

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(Correspondence Associated Press) LONDON, Nov. 15.—The wonderful service of plate and china belonging to the republic of France was brought to London secretly and under heavy guard for use at the dinner which President Poincare gave while visiting England. There were eighty-three heavy packages and it required several vans to transport them from the railway station to the embassy.

The collection comprised historic gold and silver plate, and priceless Sevres china lined with solid gold leaf, the whole surpassing in value the ransom of a king.

Throughout the journey from Paris the packages were under the eyes of detectives and railway men. Every precaution was taken against robbery and damage. The packages were taken from the station here after midnight and the vans proceeded through the comparatively deserted streets closely guarded.

APPLICATION NO. 5845

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA.

Notice is hereby given that on the 7th day of November, 1919, in accordance with Section 29, Chapter 140, of the Statutes of 1911, one Gustaf R. Peterson, of Belhelien, County of Nye, and State of Nevada, made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to appropriate the public waters of the State of Nevada. Such appropriation is to be made from Upper Belhelien Creek or Gulch, at a point in the NE 1/4 Sec. 25, T. 3 N., R. 42 E., M. 1 D. B. & M., by means of a dam, and reservoir, and one sixth cubic foot per second is to be conveyed to Wagon Pass, T. 3 N., R. 50 E., M. 1 D. B. & M., by means of ditches, and there used for irrigation and stock watering purposes, from May until October of each year.

Water not to be returned to stream. Signed: J. C. SCRUGHAM, State Engineer.

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